

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2431

January 21, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes community colleges within the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) system to enter into reverse articulation or reverse transfer agreements with TBR and University of Tennessee (UT) universities and with private higher education institutions accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Authorizes UT and TBR universities to enter into reverse articulation or transfer agreements with community colleges within the TBR system.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), articulation agreements between public higher education institutions are currently in development as part of the Complete College Act of 2010.
- Articulation agreements between public institutions of higher education and private SACS accredited institutions will be completed if the private institutions approve the agreements.
- Any increase in state expenditures for the development of new articulation agreements will be not significant and can be accommodated within existing resources without a need for additional personnel or a decrease in other budget items.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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